

REMARKS

Claims 2-18 and 36-51 are pending. Applicants have amended claims 2 and 36. Claims 3-18 depend on the independent claim 2 and claims 35-51 depend on the independent claim 36.

The Examiner has rejected claims 2 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. §103 based on Dolan (US 6,396,820) in view of Bilgic (US 5,884,148.). Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as presented are allowable over the art cited.

An invention is unpatentable if the differences between it and the prior art would have been obvious at the time of the invention. As stated in MPEP § 2143, “the prior art reference (or references when combined) must teach or suggest all the claim limitations” in order to satisfy one of the three requirements to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness. Applicants respectfully submit that neither Dolan nor Bilgic, nor a combination of the two, teach or suggest every limitation of claims 2 and 36.

As amended, claims 2 and 36 recite “initiating, before receiving any call set up request from a mobile station or a mobile switching center, a base station-initiated call from a base station to a mobile station by sending a base station Service Request from the base station to a mobile switching center.” Applicants respectfully submit that neither Dolan nor Bilgic, nor a combination of the two, teach or suggest to initiate a call from the base station, before receiving any call set up request from a mobile station or a mobile switching center. The cited art all operate to direct the base station in response to a directive for making a call connection. Applicants note the Examiner to also review specific citations made in the last response from the Applicants. As such, there is a marked difference between the cited art, individually or in combination, and the claims. Therefore, claims 2 and 36 are allowable over the cited art.

Since all other claims depend on the allowable claims 2 and 36, other claims pending in the application are also allowable.


REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

Accordingly, in view of these remarks it is submitted that claims 2-18 and 36-51 are patentably distinguishable from the references of record and the application is in a condition of allowance.

Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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